

DETAILED ACTION

1. This **FINAL** action is responsive to the amendment filed on 5/24/2011.
2. In the amendment claims 2-55 are pending. Claims 1-28 are canceled. Claims 29, 38 and 47 are the Independent claims.

Withdrawn Rejections

3. The 35 U.S.C. 103(a) rejection of claims 1-10 and 13-28 with cited reference of Yang (U.S. 6,301,586) in view of Agnihotri (U.S. 6,608,930) has been withdrawn in light of the amendment

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

5. Claims 29-55 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Yang (U.S. 6,301,586, filed on Oct. 6, 1997).

Regarding Independent claims 29, 38 and 47, A method for generating a printable representation of multimedia information stored in a plurality of multimedia documents, the method comprising: receiving, at one or more computer systems, information

indicative of selection criteria; identifying, with one or more processors associated with the one or more computer systems, a first printable representation of multimedia information associated with a first multimedia document based on information associated with the first printable representation satisfying the selection criteria; Identifying, with the one or more processors associated with the one or more computer systems, a second printable representation of multimedia information associated with a second multimedia document based on information associated with the second printable representation satisfying the selection criteria; and generating, with the one or more processors associated with the one or more computer systems, a consolidated printable representation of the multimedia information associated with the first multimedia document and the multimedia information associated with the second multimedia document based on at least one portion extracted from the first printable representation and at least one portion extracted from the second printable representation.

Yang discloses receiving information at a processor of a computer system identifying a selection criterion. He discloses identifying a selection criterion as using search related functions/query for searching and accessing databases to retrieve multimedia objects (column 7, lines 19-26). Column 24, lines 40-50 discloses “The real power of this media database management system is the powerful and flexible way **to query the database system by using predefined criteria**” thereby teaching receiving, at one or more computer systems, information indicative of selection criteria. **Yang further discloses (column 4, lines 60-64) “...data files, such as database files used by the multimedia**

object management system of the invention, audio files, text files, image files, video clip files.” And Further “...the user can view information about the collection such as albums, date/time created, date/time modified, and the icon file name that represents the created album” (see column 12, lines30-35). Thereby teaching “identifying, with one or more processors associated with the one or more computer systems, a first and second printable representation of multimedia information (video, text and image files) associated with a first and second multimedia document (an album file)”. Yang discloses printing the clips that satisfy the predefined criteria using an output device such as a printer that includes a first clip or from a first collection and a second clip from a second collection as a new collection on a paper medium to generate a set of one or more printed pages which includes the number of clips per page as specified by the user and disclosed in figs 19-21. Thereby disclosing “a consolidated printable representation of the multimedia information associated with the first multimedia document and the multimedia information associated with the second multimedia document based on at least one portion extracted from the first printable representation and at least one portion extracted form the second printable representation”.

Regarding Dependent claims 30, 39 and 48, Yang discloses wherein identifying the first printable representation of the multimedia information associated with the first multimedia document based on the information associated with the first printable representation satisfying the selection criteria or identifying the second printable representation of the multimedia information associated with the second multimedia

document based on the information associated with the second printable representation satisfying the section criteria comprises analyzing multimedia information stored in a multimedia document corresponding to the first printable representation or the second printable representation for information that satisfies the selection criteria (column 7, lines 19-26, disclosing analyzing multimedia information stored in the albums based on the selection criteria which is the user query).

Regarding Dependent claims 31, 40 and 44, Yang discloses wherein identifying the first printable representation of the multimedia information associated with the first multimedia document based on the information associated with the first printable representation satisfying the selection criteria or identifying the second printable representation of the multimedia information associated with the second multimedia document based on the information associated with the second printable representation satisfying the selection criteria comprises analyzing data stored in the first printable representation or the second printable representation for information that satisfies the selection criteria (column 7, lines 19-26, disclosing analyzing multimedia information stored in the albums based on the selection criteria which is the user query).

Regarding Dependent claims 32, 41 and 50, Yang discloses printing the consolidated printable representation using an output device to generate a paper-based document (see figs 19-21 disclosing consolidating printable representation using an output device).

Regarding Dependent claims 33, 43 and 51, Yang discloses wherein generating, with the one or more processors associated with the one or more computer systems, the consolidated printable representation of the multimedia information associated with the first multimedia document and the multimedia information associated with the second multimedia document comprises: extracting at least one printable page from a plurality of pages of the first printable representation that comprises information that satisfies the selection criterion; extracting at least one printable page from a plurality of pages of the second printable representation that comprises information that satisfies the selection criterion; and consolidating the at least one printable page extracted from the first printable representation and the at least one printable page extracted from the second printable representation into the consolidated representation (see column 12, lines 30-35 & column 4, lines 60-64, discloses extracting a printable page from a plurality of pages, each page representing the multimedia information such as video clips in the multimedia document file (album)).

Regarding Dependent claims 34, 43 and 52, Yang discloses wherein generating, with the one or more processors associated with the one or more computer systems, the consolidated printable representation of the multimedia information associated with the first multimedia document and the multimedia information associated with the second multimedia document comprises annotating either the at least one portion of the first printable representation of the at least one portion of the second printable representation in the consolidated printable representation (see column 6, lines 35-45, discloses an

image manager that adds, deletes, inserts, moves, crops, re-sizes and manipulates images. Thereby disclosing annotating a portion of the first and second printable representations).

Regarding Dependent claims 35, 44 and 53, Yang discloses generating for each of the plurality of multimedia documents, with the one or more processors associated with the one or more computer systems, at least one printable representation of multimedia information stored in the multimedia document (see figs 19-21 disclosing consolidating printable representation of multimedia information from the multimedia documents or albums).

Regarding Dependent claims 36, 45 and 54, Yang discloses determining the selection criteria based on a profile associated with an individual (see column 7, lines 17, wherein the workspace further contains User and group information thereby comprising a profile used to access query definition objects for that user).

Regarding Dependent claims 37, 48 and 55, Yang discloses generating a cover sheet associated with the consolidated printable representation of the multimedia information associated with the first multimedia document and the multimedia information associated with the second multimedia document (see figs 12-13, disclosing a coversheet associated with the consolidated printable representation of the multimedia information from the first and second multimedia documents).

It is noted that any citation [[s]] to specific, pages, columns, lines, or figures in the prior art references and any interpretation of the references should not be considered to be limiting in any way. A reference is relevant for all it contains and may be relied upon for all that it would have reasonably suggested to one having ordinary skill in the art. [[See, MPEP 2123]]

Response to Arguments

6. Applicants arguments filed 5/24/2011 have been considered but are not persuasive.

Applicants argues: Specifically, while Yang provides the functionality to generate printable representations of multimedia information Yang and Agnihotri fail to disclose or suggest that it is from this data that portions are extracted to generate a combined printable representation as recited. (pg 11, paragraph 2)

Yang and Agnihotri, either individually or in combination, fail to disclose or suggest anything similar such that a consolidated printable representation is generated that includes the at least one portion of the printable representation for the first multimedia document and the at least one portion for the second multimedia document that satisfy the selection criterion as recited in claim 29. (pg 12, paragraph 1)

Yang and Agnihotri fail to teach or suggest that pages that satisfy selection criteria are extracted from multiple printable representations to generate the consolidation as recited. (pg 12, paragraph 4)

The Examiner Respectfully Disagrees: Column 24, lines 40-50 discloses “The real power of this media database management system is the powerful and flexible way **to query the database system by using predefined criteria**” thereby teaching receiving, at one or more computer systems, information indicative of selection criteria. **Yang further discloses (column 4, lines 60-64) “...data files, such as database files used by the multimedia object management system of the invention, audio files, text files, image files, video clip files.” And Further “...the user can view information about the collection such as albums, date/time created, date/time modified, and the icon file name that represents the created album” (see column 12, lines 30-35). Thereby teaching “ identifying, with one or more processors associated with the one or more computer systems, a first and second printable representation of multimedia information (video, text and image files) associated with a first and second multimedia document (an album file)”. Yang discloses printing the clips that satisfy the predefined criteria using an output device such as a printer that includes a first clip or from a first collection and a second clip from a second collection as a new collection on a paper medium to generate a set of one or more printed pages which includes the number of clips per page as specified by the user and disclosed in figs 19-21. Thereby disclosing “a consolidated printable representation of the multimedia information associated with the first multimedia document and the multimedia information associated with the second multimedia document based on at least one portion extracted from the first printable representation and at least one portion extracted from the second printable representation”. See column**

12, lines 30-35 & column 4, lines 60-64, discloses extracting a printable page from a plurality of pages, each page representing the multimedia information such as video clips in the multimedia document file (album)

Conclusion

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than **SIX MONTHS** from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Manglesh M. Patel whose telephone number is (571) 272-5937. The examiner can normally be reached on M,F 8:30-6:00 T,TH 8:30-3:00 Wed 8:30-7:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Stephen S. Hong can be reached on (571)272-4124. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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